

**CONFIDENTIAL**

SECURITY INFORMATION

COUNTRY French West Africa

**SUBJECT** Dakar, Approaches/Rev Construction/Port Operations

PLACE ACQUIRED  
(BY SOURCE)

DATE ACQUIRED  
(BY SOURCE)

DATE (OF INFO.)

DATE DISTR. 1 JUNE 53

NO. OF PAGES 1

NO. OF ENCLS.

SUPP. TO  
REPORT NO.

THIS DOCUMENT CONTAINS INFORMATION AFFECTING THE NATIONAL DEFENSE OF THE UNITED STATES WITHIN THE MEANING OF TITLE 18, SECTIONS 793 AND 794 OF THE U.S. CODE AS AMENDED. ITS TRANSMISSION OR REVELATION OF ITS CONTENTS TO AN UNAUTHORIZED PERSON IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. THE REPRESENTATION OF THIS MESSAGE IS MADE UNDER

THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

The Office of Naval Intelligence furnished the following information to CIA for IAC dissemination in accordance with paragraph 3c of NSCID #7. This information was obtained by DIO-3ND and was forwarded as ONI report 71-C-53.7

1. Approaches: Navigation aids, depths and other hydrographic information were found to be accurate as shown on H O charts now in use. No recent changes in approaches or in the entrance channel were observed.
2. New Construction: Reconstruction of Mole #1 (H O chart #2250) is approaching completion. This pier, referred to as the "New Mail Boat Pier", has upper and lower levels with vehicle driveways to service passenger traffic. Upon completion this pier will be able to accommodate six large vessels of at least 6000 gross tons.
3. A large refrigeration plant is under construction approximately 1/8 mile west of the Customs House near Mole #1 (H O Chart #2250).
4. Oil storage tanks have been installed on the east side of "Jette du Nord" (see photographs number 11 and 12).
5. Port Operations: There has been no noticeable change in port operations or in efficiency over the past year. Port labor still consists of natives under European supervision. The port has been comparatively free of shipping during recent months and the seaway has experienced little congestion at Dakar over a period of a year or more.

..end..

ONI review(s)  
completed.

**U.S. Officials Only**

**CONFIDENTIAL**

SECURITY INFORMATION

DISTRIBUTION ➡	STATE	ARMY	NAVY	AIR	FOI					
----------------	-------	------	------	-----	-----	--	--	--	--	--

This report is for the use within the USA of the Intelligence components of the Departments or Agencies indicated above. It is not to be transmitted overseas without the concurrence of the originating office through the Assistant Director of the Office of Collection and Dissemination, CIA.